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## PREFACE

During the Second World War the German Signal Intelligence Control Center of the Staff of the Chief of Army Signal Service (HNS, LNA) issued a series of reports to show the USSR military-economic situation as reflected in Russian internal plain language traffic. These reports appeared at short, irregular intervals, usually six per month, for the period October 1942-March 1943. FOIAb3a Eighty-three of these reports have been translated and issued by [REDACTED]

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19 October 1943

The Soviet Union

Military-Economic Report 6/10

(Based on Domestic Radio Traffic)

1. THE PERSONNEL SITUATION

- (1) The Chief Directorate assigned the NKRF authorities in Stalingrad, Astrakhan, Molotov and Uralsk the task of recruiting personnel for the NKRF work schools from the city and country youth organizations.
- (2) The Oil Institute in Groznyj has 750 students on hand as of 1 October.
- (3) A large number of workers is needed to restore the destroyed industrial sites in the Voroshilovgrad Oblast'.
- (4) The local authorities of Voroshilovgrad are looking for conscripts, who are mobilized within the Voroshilovgrad Oblast', for their own use. For example, they have claimed 1500 workers who were conscripted for a factory outside the area.
- (5) By 14 October 106 young workers were conscripted for the Iron Industry in the Rostov Oblast'. 300 workers from Vologda and 600 from Kujbyshev arrived for the Iron Industry in Taganrog.
- (6) In Krasnodar Kraj 250 men are to be conscripted for the "Sedina" Works of the NK for the Machine Tool Industry and 100 men for the "Armalit" Works in Armavir.
- (7) From Rostov Oblast' 200 persons must be furnished for the "Krasnyj Aksaj" and "Desyatoe Oktyabrya" Works (plants building agricultural machines) in Rostov.
- (8) The Azerbajdzhan "Energie" in Baku proposes that the workers' camps in Baku furnish 50 apprentices for laying track.
- (9) At the NKRF Plant in Osetrovo there is a lack of lathe operators, locksmiths, boilersmiths and electro-welders. At least 10 of each of the above-mentioned professions are needed.
- (10) As of 12 October 1943 the "Andreev" Iron Works in Taganrog has the following personnel:

924 Workers  
335 Engineering-Technical Personnel  
350 Appointees  
136 Conscripts  
104 Apprentices.

(11) During the winter the Surashevka Ship Yard will receive workers from NKRF

offices as follows:

from Upper Amur Steamship Agency	50 Men
from Lower Amur Steamship Agency	25 Men
from Upper Amur Waterways Directorate	50 Men.

(12) These workers are transfer personnel and will be employed in production processes for the winter only.

(13) Ufa-NKRF has distributed transfer personnel for the winter as follows:

for their own repairs	205 Men
on ships remaining in port thru the winter	450 Men
for NKRF plants	244 Men
for timber procurement	85 Men
for construction work	20 Men
for training	20 Men
to the technical school, including those ordered back to trade schools	109 Men.

## 2. OIL SUPPLY

(14) Supplies are initially needed for winter repairs as follows:

at the NKRF Plant in Stalingrad	3,500 tons Mazut and 500 tons Motor naphtha
at the NKRF Plant in Krasnoarmejsk	300 tons Mazut
at the Landing-Place at Vladimirovka	1,000 tons Mazut.

(15) Other NKRF plants and enterprises in Stalingrad have been supplied with mazut for the winter.

(16) Thru September the Maikop Sovkhoz Directorate had released 64 tons of petroleum and 11 tons of gasoline, and had at its disposal 6 tons of petroleum and 3 tons of gasoline. An allotment of 30 tons petroleum and 3 tons gasoline will be needed for October.

(17) The Baku Naphtha Supply (Office) is to place at the disposal of Plant 417 the

350 tons of naphtha products originally assigned to the "Stalin" Plant in Groznyj.

(18) The Armavir Naphtha Supply (Office) is to deliver to the Ukraine Naphtha

Supply (Office) in Kharkov the additional 3,750 tons of petroleum which were intended for

the Agriculture (Office) of the Ukraine SSR in the first half of October.

#### REQUIREMENTS

	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(19)	Kharkov, Agriculture	500 tons	Naphtha products	Tuapse	for the first half of October
(20)	Rostov/Don, Plant of the Aviation Industry	5 tons	Airplane gasoline	---	for October
(21)	Rostov/Don, Plant of the Aviation Industry	7 tons	Automobile gasoline	---	for October
(22)	Krasnodar, Transport Procurement (Office)	3 tons	Diesel oil	---	for October

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	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(23)	Molotov, Plant 172	17,700 tons	Mazut	Astrakhan, NKRF	---
(24)	Sulin, Metal Plant	350 tons	Mazut	Rostov/Don, Naphtha Supply (Office)	for October
(25)	Taganrog, Plant "Andreev"	120 tons	Mazut	"	for October
(26)	Vlasovskie Kopi, Electrical Plant of the Coal Mine	75 tons	Mazut	Groznyj, Naphtha Supply (Office)	---
(27)	Krasnodar, Offices of the NK for Communications	5 tons	Naphtha	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply (Office)	for October
(28)	Mirskaya, Turnip Sovkhoz	2 tons	Naphtha	---	for October
(29)	Salsk, Naphtha Supply (Office)	100 tons	Naphtha products	Armavir, Naphtha Supply (Office)	---
(30)	"Stalinugol"	400 tons	Naphtha products	Kharkov, Ukraine Naphtha Supply (Office)	for October
(31)	Voronezh, Oblast' Naphtha Distribution Points	6,750 tons	Naphtha products	Armavir, Naphtha Supply (Office)	for October
(32)	Kamensk, "Shakhtinskij Avangard"	2 tons	Petroleum	---	for October
(33)	Krasnodar, Office of the NK for Communications	3.4 tons	"	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply (Office)	for October
(34)	Krasnodar, NKVD	4 tons	"	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply (Office)	for October

	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(35)	Maikop, Auxiliary Management of the Naphtha Combine	10 tons	Petroleum	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply	for October
(36)	Mirskaya, Turnip Sovkhoz	30 tons	"	---	for October
(37)	Rostov, "Emaille"	0.5 tons	"	---	for October
(38)	Rostov, Naphtha Supply	1.5 tons	"	---	for their own use in October
(39)	Rostov/Don, Armored Repairs	0.5 tons	"	---	for October
(40)	Taganrog, "Instrument"	20 tons	"	---	"
(41)	Tarasovka, Rostov Rajon, Rubber Sovkhoz #3	3 tons	"	Rostov/Don Naphtha Supply	"
(42)	Kamensk, "Shakhtinskiy Avangard"	1 ton	Gasoline	---	"
(43)	Krasnodar, Offices of NK for Communications	8 tons	"	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply	"
(44)	Krasnodar, NKVD	7 tons	"	"	"
(45)	Mirskaya, Turnip Sovkhoz	8 tons	"	---	"
(46)	Rostov/Don, "Emaille"	1 ton	"	---	"
(47)	Rostov/Don, Naphtha Supply	5 tons	"	---	for October and their own uses
(48)	Rostov/Don, Armored Repairs	7 tons	Aviation Gasoline	---	for October
(49)	Rostov/Don, Armored Repairs	6 tons	Automobile gasoline	---	"
(50)	Taganrog "Instrument"	10 tons	"	---	"
(51)	Krasnodar, Offices of the NK for Communications	0.9 tons	Diesel oil	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply	"
(52)	Rostov/Don, Armored Repairs	3 tons	Diesel oil	---	"
(53)	Krasnodar NKVD	2 tons	Litharge	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply	"
(54)	Mirskaya, Turnip Sovkhoz	4 tons	"	---	"
(55)	Rostov/Don Naphtha Supply	3 tons	"	---	for October and their own uses
(56)	Rostov/Don, Armored Repairs	3 tons	"	---	for October
(57)	"	0.5 tons	Avtol	---	"
(58)	Rostov/Don Agricultural Organizations	75 tons	Solidol	Krasnodar, Naphtha Supply	---
(59)	Plant "Krasnyj Aksaj" of the NK for the Mortar Industry	2 tons	Tech. oil	Rostov/Don, Combine "Rabochij"	---
(60)	Plant 774 of the NK for the Mortar Industry	2 tons	Tech. oil	"	---



	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(61)	Plant 34	50 tons	Naphtha products	Groznyj, Naphtha Sales	---
(62)	Krasnopresnensk Varnish and Paint Plant	50 tons	Naphtha products	"	---
(63)	NK for the Motor Vehicle Industry	69 tons	Mazut	Krasnovodsk Naphtha Supply	in September
(64)	"	50 tons	Diesel oil	"	"
(65)	"	100 tons	Automobile gasoline	"	"
(66)	Shakhty, Coal Industry	76 tons	Gasoline	Groznyj, Naphtha Sales	"
(67)	NK for the Motor Vehicle Industry	200 tons	Machine oil	Krasnovodsk, Naphtha Supply	"
(68)	NK for the Motor Vehicle Industry	250 tons	Spindle oil	"	"
(69)	NK for the Motor Vehicle Industry	100 tons	Turbine oil	"	"

### 3. COAL SUPPLY

(70) In September Shakhty, Coal Supply delivered 500 tons of anthracite to the "Andreev" Plant.

(71) Stalingrad NKRF shall ship to Astrakhan 2,000 tons of coal which were intended for Uvek NKRF.

(72) In September Baku could ship only 41 railroad cars of coke instead of the 109 expected because covered railroad cars were not furnished. None of the 111 cars for October have been shipped to date.

(73) Shakhty, Rostov-Ugol, shall deliver up to 600 tons of coal daily to the Don-Kuban Steamship Agency for the purpose of further shipment so that monthly deliveries of 15,000 tons will be guaranteed.

(74) Because of a lack of coke the foundry at a plant of the Mortar Industry in Rostov was forced to cease operations. Rostov proposes the delivery of 100 tons of coke from the coking plant in Berdyansk.

(75) Zestafoni Iron Supply had the following turn-over in September.

	<u>Intake</u>	<u>Consumed</u>	<u>Remainder</u>
Coke	2,490 tons	1,655 tons	201 tons
Naphtha coke	174 tons	47 tons	274 tons
Coal from Tkvibuli	1,441 tons	999 tons	1,271 tons
Coal from Tkvarcheli	-----	9 tons	111 tons
Anthracite	114 tons	123 tons	303 tons
Mazut	73 tons	81 tons	23 tons

(76) On 30 September the Electricity Plant in Tkvarcheli had received 430 tons of coal. On hand: 4,932 tons

	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
<u>Requirements</u>					
(77)	Rostov/Don, Sovkhoz Supply	700 tons	Coal	---	for October
(78)	Taganrog, Boiler Plant	2,000 tons	Coal	Rostov/Don, Coal Sales	---
(79)	Azov Sea Steamship Agency	120 tons	Coal	---	for 1944
(80)	Azov Sea Steamship Agency	2,000 tons	Anthracite	---	for 1944

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(81)	Rostov/Don, Plant of the Agricultural Machine Industry	80 tons	Coke	Kemerovo, Coking Plant	for October
(82)	Akul- NKRF	150 tons	Coal	Kambarka - NKRF	---
(83)	Armavir, Prison Directorate of the NKVD	200 tons	Coal	Shakhty, Coal Supply	For October
(84)	Chemical Plant "Pobeda Rabochikh"	200 tons	Coal	---	---
(85)	Enterprises of the NK for Construction	900 tons	Coal	Shakhty, Coal Supply	for October
(86)	Ejsk, Technical Plant	100 tons	Coal	Shakhty, Coal Supply	---
(87)	Gorkij, Upper Volga Steamship Agency	700 tons	Coal	---	Delivery from 1 - 10 (Oct ?)
(88)	Kursk, Electricity Plant	406 tons	Coal	Voroshilovgrad, Donbass Coal Supply	for October
(89)	Molotov, Kama Steamship Agency	3,000 tons	Coal	---	Delivery in Oct.
(90)	North Caucasus Front	150 tons	Coal	Shakhty, Coal Supply	delivery by 15 October
(91)	Omsk, Steamship Agency	9,330 tons	Coal	---	in October
(92)	Rostov/Don, Chief Bread Directorate	200 tons	Coal	---	---
(93)	Rostov/Don, Chief Bread Directorate	500 tons	Coal	---	additional for October
(94)	Rostov/Don, Plant 81	500 tons	Coal	Rostov/Don, Coal Supply	---
(95)	Rostov/Don, Light Industry of the Oblast'	100 tons	Coal	---	for October
(96)	Rostov/Don, Paper Plant "Kukurudze"	350 tons	Coal	Shakhty	for October
(97)	Syryan, Ore Directorate	1,000 tons	Coal	Semipalatinsk	---
(98)	Batyj (382 km SE of Semipalatinsk), Plant of the Non-ferrous Metal Industry	1,000 tons	Coal	Semipalatinsk	---

(99)	Slavyanka (300 km. SE of Semipalatinsk), Plant of the Non-Ferrous Metal Industry	2,000 tons	Coal	Semipalatinsk	---
(100)	Taganrog "Metallist"	50 tons	Coal	---	for October
(101)	Taganrog, Plant "Andreev"	200 tons	Coal	Akhinsk (not located) Coal Supply	---
(102)	Voronezh, Oblast' Heating Material Supply	800 tons	Coal	Likhaya, Coal Mine Directorate	---
(103)	Kharkov, Plant 75 of the Armor Industry	20 tons	Anthracite	---	in October
(104)	Ejsk, Plant of the NK for Sovkhozes	50 tons	"	Rostov/Don, Thermo-Anthracite Directorate	"
(105)	Voronezh, Plant Kalinin	20 tons	"	Shakhty, Anthracite Directorate	"
(106)	Krasnodar, Plant "Sedina"	20 tons	"	"	"
(107)	Maikop, Plant Frunze	20 tons	"	"	"
(108)	Plant in Novochoerkassk	20 tons	"	"	"

#### DELIVERY

(109) Zestafoni, Iron Foundry 125 tons Anthracite Shakhty, Coal Industry In Sept.

#### 4. TEXTILE SUPPLY

(110) Tbilisi, Technical Oil Supply received only 7,893 meters of tentcloth from Iransovtrans. From this the following will be prepared:

10 tents  
15,000 pairs of gloves, and  
325 suits.

(111) Makhachkala, Prison Directorate of the NKVD procured the following thru

1 October:

30,000 Body warmers  
25,000 Warm trousers  
10,000 Shoes  
10,000 Knapsacks  
40 tons Collton Batting. Deliveries will follow to Krasnodar,

Rostov, Stavropol and Checheno-Ingush.

(112) The Leather Plant in Taganrog is to make the following deliveries of 10,000 square meters of chrome leather and 24 tons of hard leather:

Office	Chrome Leather (Square meters)	Hard Leather (Tons)
Industrial Supply, Stavropol	1,260	3
Industrial Supply, Krasnodar	2,340	5

<u>Office</u>	<u>Chrome Leather</u> (Square Meters)	<u>Hard Leather</u> (Tons)
Industrial Supply, Kabardino-Balkar	1,090	1
Industrial Supply, Checheno-Ingush	1,060	2
Industrial Supply, North Osetia	1,050	1
Industrial Supply, Dagestan	1,180	1
Industrial Supply, Stalingrad	1,420	4
Industrial Supply, Kalmuk	500	1
Industrial Supply, Rostov	100	5

(113) According to plan, the Leather Plant in Taganrog produced 225 tons of various kinds of leather in the fourth quarter.

#### AUTHORIZATIONS

	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(114)	Nevinnomyssk	3 r.r. cars	Wool	Groznyj, Animal Raw Material Supply	for October
(115)	Krasnodar, Plant of the Blind	25 tons	Wool	---	for the manufacture of felt boots and sweat pads
(116)	Baku, Technical Oil Supply	40,000 met.	Tentcloth	Iransovtrans	for the preparation of gloves and suits

#### 5. CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER INDUSTRIES

(117) Dredging operations to the extent of 27,000 cubic meters are to be carried out at the Gorodets Shipyard wharf.

(118) Construction of the power station has been completed at Plant "Lenin" in Astrakhan.

(119) Rostov Oblast' ordered the North Caucasus Railroad to furnish 8,100 tons of lime, 300 tons of chalk and 1 million bricks for reconstruction.

(120) Sverdlovsk is to deliver 2 tons of galvanized metal for reconstruction of the grain mills in Krasnodar.

(121) The mills in Krasnodar can not be put back into operation because of a lack of drive belts.

(122) Baku, Grain Procurement, had the following supplies of construction material on 1 August:

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	<u>1 August</u>	<u>1 September</u>
Cement	187 tons	136 tons
Glass	15 tons	15 tons
Nails	4.6 tons	4.5 tons

(123) Construction for the year has been carried out at Baku. Five drying plants were built.

(124) The Gorkij NKRF Plant "Molotov" and the Gorodets NKRF Plant received the following mandatory budgets for October:

"Molotov" Plant:

For shipbuilding	250,000 rubles
For general repairs	50,000 rubles
For other contracts from the NKRF	190,000 rubles
For contracts from other organizations	210,000 rubles

Gorodets NKRF Plant:

For contracts from the NKRF	40,000 rubles
For contracts from other organizations	630,000 rubles

(125) The Baku Cement Plant fulfilled the September production plan as follows:

	<u>Actual production</u>	<u>Planned production</u>	
Cement	5,530 tons	4,000 tons	135%
Fireproof stones	3,635 tons	3,600 tons	101%
Lime	6,468 tons	6,100 tons	106%

(126) "Rostovugol" Combine at Shakhty requires 2,000 meters of drive belts

and 1,500 meters of conveyor belts

REQUIREMENTS

	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(127)	Rostov/Don, "Instrument"	500 cubic meters	Construction timber	---	for repairs on the buildings and installations
(128)	"	1 r.r. car	Veneering wood	---	"
(129)	"	1 r.r. car	Roofing tin	---	"
(130)	"	2 r.r. cars	Glass	---	"
(131)	"	400 rolls	Tarboard	---	"
(132)	"	100 rolls	Rubberoid	---	"
(133)	"	200 tons	Ceramics	---	"
(134)	Rostov/Don, Oblast' Construction Industry	36 tons	Cement	Cement Plant "Gigant"	---
(135)	Taganrog, Plant "Molot"	1 r.r. car	Cement	Ararat, Armenian for October Cement Plant	

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	<u>Consignee</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Consignor</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
(136)	Shakhty, Combine "Rostovugol'"	11 r.r. cars	Cement	Volsk, Cement Plant "Bol'shevik"	---
(137)	Voroshilovgrad, Combine "Voroshilov- gradugol'"	25 r.r. cars	Cement	"	---
(138)	Leningrad, Plant #7	1 r.r. car	Firebrick	Borovichi, Plant "Keramik"	---
(139)	Rostov/Don, Oblast' Construction Indus- try	1 r.r. car	Slate	Voskresensk, Asbestos Combine	---
(140)	Shakhty, "Rostovugol'"	3 r.r. cars	Slate	Voskresensk, Slate Plant	---
(141)	Voroshilovgrad, "Voroshilovgrad- ugol'"	4 r.r. cars	Slate	"	---
(142)	Nikitovka, "Stalinugol'"	13 r.r. cars	Slate	"	---
(143)	Chelyabinsk, Ore Directorate	1 r.r. car	Fireproof clay	Stalingrad	---
(144)	Krasnodar, Oblast' Electricity Plant	2 r.r. cars	Glass	Rostov/Don, Azov-Black Sea Power	---
(145)	Rostov/Don, Oblast' Construction Industry	1 r.r. car	Glass	Dagestansk Ogni, Glass Plant	---
(146)	Stavropol, Leather Plant	1000 square meters	Window glass	Krasnodar, Chief Supply Di- rectorate of Light Industry	---
(147)	Krasnodar, Oblast' Electricity Plant	850 rolls	Rubberoid	Rostov/Don, Azov- Black Sea Power	---

(148) Newly noted plants:

<u>Plant</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
31	Taganrog	---
33	---	Production of aircraft equipment
41	---	Production of aircraft motors
143	Tashkent	Repair of aircraft motors
150 (Combine)	Kashira	---
265	---	Repair of aircraft motors
352	Novocherkassk	---
359	Rostov	Plant of the Munitions Industry
366	Novocherkassk	---
524	---	---
525	Kujbyshev	---
584	Leningrad	---
590	Novosibirsk (?)	---
807	Kujbyshev (?)	---
"Irbit"	Sverdlovsk	---
"Katek"	Kujbyshev	---
"Molotov"	Taganrog	---
"Sirena"	Yaroslavl'	---
Plant	Irbit	Production of motorcycle motors
Plant	Gor'kij	Production of motorcycle motors
Plant	Stalinabad	Repair of aircraft motors

## 6. TRANSPORT

(149) On 27 September the following was announced from Baku to the Directorate of the Rear Forces of the Red Army:

From 17 thru 25 September 1, 403 railroad cars were furnished.

From 1 thru 25 September 1, 286 railroad cars were loaded with imported freight as follows:

from 1 thru 16 Sept.: 698 cars  
from 16 thru 25 Sept: 668 cars

Further, insufficient shipments of grain are noted in the report as follows: in August only 9,685 tons instead of the planned 64,000 tons were received, and in the first 25 days of September only 1,127 tons instead of 57,000.

The following grain transport is planned for Azerbajdzhan from the North Caucasus in October:

11,000 tons Wheat  
10,000 tons Barley  
13,000 tons Millets  
5,000 tons Corn

This grain is to be shipped by the middle of October.

(150) Grain transport by the Stalingrad Railroad is being disrupted for lack of railroad cars. For October 1,927 cars are expected to be furnished. Only 114 cars were shipped thru 12 October. This delay is especially detrimental with regard to supplying the workers and the population of cities in the coal regions.

(151) The Stalingrad Railroad is also not furnishing sufficient railroad cars for transport of machines into the liberated rajons of Rostov Oblast'.

(152) The railroad cars which were assigned to Kujbyshev for the outgoing transport of repaired aircraft motors are to be furnished to Voronezh in October.

(153) The Combine "Rostovugol'" in Shakhty needs 10 railroad cars daily for the shipment of scrap.

(154) In November 80 railroad cars are to be furnished to a plant of the Tank Industry in Stalingrad.

(155) On 1 October 56 railroad cars with imported freight were shipped.

(156) In September the Naphtha Supply Office in Rostov received only 4 railroad cars instead of the 18 expected.

(157) NKRF Offices will receive railroad cars in November as follows:

Khabarovsk	12 cars
Ufa	8 cars
Kazan'	25 cars
Omsk	8 cars
Krasnoyarsk	3 cars

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